



TEAM TENNESSEE AMERICORPS STATE

AmeriCorps is a network of local, state, and national service programs that connects over 75,000 Americans each year in intensive service to meet community needs in education, the environment, public safety, health, and homeland security. Members serve in full or part-time positions over a 10-12 month period. Upon completion of their service, full-time members receive a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award of \$5,920 to pay for college, graduate school, or to pay back qualified student loans. Part-time members receive a partial education award. Members also have access to other benefits such as: health insurance, child care, training, and student loan forbearance during their service. Members may also receive a modest annual living allowance depending on the terms of their program.

2018-2019 Program Descriptions

East Tennessee

AmeriCorps*Building Futures – AIM Center: Chattanooga

AIM Center AmeriCorps members help address the stigma of mental illness while serving at the AIM Center. Members will holistically address the basic human needs for meaningful relationships, self-sufficiency, and community reintegration for people in the greater Chattanooga area with a psychiatric diagnosis.

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Appalachia CARES – Clinch-Powell RC&DC: Rutledge / Greeneville area

The Appalachia CARES program is a community-based service-learning program. Our AmeriCorps members provide direct service to local communities through primary focus areas of energy efficiency, conservation, and housing services throughout the state. As a secondary focus, they also expand the organizational capacity of participating agencies by expanding services, increasing outreach, and recruiting and/or managing community volunteers.

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Appalachian Regional Coalition on Homelessness: Johnson City area

Appalachian Regional Coalition of Homelessness (ARCH) AmeriCorps members aim to reduce homelessness by providing a combination of housing and social services in the Appalachia region of east Tennessee.

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CAC AmeriCorps – Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee: Knoxville

As Tennessee's only environmental corps, CAC AmeriCorps combines elements of traditional conservation practice with community action that informs their work and places it in the broader context of the region. CAC AmeriCorps members work to improve public lands, streams, and greenways; educate the public; meet immediate human needs through disaster response; and build the volunteer capacity of partner organizations.

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East Tennessee

Community Cares – Tennessee Community Assistance Corporation: Morristown/various sites across TN
AmeriCorps members assist frail seniors and persons with disabilities through direct, in-home assistance so that the residents can remain living independently in their own homes for as long as possible.

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Making Veterans Priority (MVP) – Tennessee’s Community Assistance Corporation: Morristown/various sites across TN

MVP AmeriCorps members provide services for veterans and their families who are homeless or on the verge of becoming homeless due to lack of income, physical and/or mental health issues, disabilities, trauma, substance abuse, and weak social networks. The goal is to allow them to improve their quality of life while giving them the resources, respect, and encouragement they deserve to live a more productive and fulfilling life.

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Project Inspire – Public Education Foundation: Chattanooga

Project Inspire is a teacher residency that attracts and prepares aspiring teachers through a year-long, real-world experience in the classroom. Members will serve 5 days a week throughout the entire school year at select host sites, and members will also earn a graduate degree (M.A.T.) through the 14-month program at Lee University.

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T.E.A.M. – Emerald Youth Foundation: Knoxville

T.E.A.M. AmeriCorps members serve urban young people by leading structured afterschool and summer day camp activities (academic, enrichment, leadership, health activities, and mentoring) alongside the staff of a faith-based organization. The goal is to see young people become contributing leaders and live a full life.

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Middle Tennessee

Hands On Nashville

HON’s AmeriCorps Program builds capacity for individuals and agencies to meet needs through volunteerism. Its AmeriCorps Program honors that work by engaging in year-long terms of service both with HON and HON’s environmental community partners. Member activities include education and outreach, volunteer event management, community relations, and program development.

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The Relay New Teacher Pathway – Relay Graduate School of Education: Nashville and Memphis

AmeriCorps members participate in the innovative teacher preparation program, the Relay New Teacher Pathway, in Nashville and Memphis. AmeriCorps members will be prepared and certified to serve as teachers of record, and the 3,000 economically disadvantaged K-12 students they teach will demonstrate improved academic performance, better attitudes about school, and improved behavior and classroom engagement.

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Middle Tennessee

Teach For America - Greater Nashville

Teach For America believes that all children deserve the opportunity to attain an excellent education. They recruit, train, and place outstanding teacher leaders into classrooms serving low-income children throughout Cheatham and Davidson County.

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THRIVE – Martha O’Bryan Center: Nashville

The Martha O’Bryan Center empowers children, youth, and adults in poverty to transform their lives through work, education, employment, and fellowship. AmeriCorps members serve in one of five program areas: K-8 Youth Education, High School Education, Post-Secondary Success and Digital Inclusion, Adult Education, and Family Support. Members build relationships, tutor, teach, plan curriculum and enrichments, and perform community outreach and engagement.

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West Tennessee

Artesian Schools, Inc: Memphis

Artesian Schools, Inc. is a charter management organization focused on filling gaps in K-12 education to ensure postsecondary success. Its newest school, Southwest Early College High School, enables students in Memphis to graduate with a diploma and an associate degree. AmeriCorps members serve as tutors and mentors as a part of SECHS's comprehensive student support program. This program is modeled after Talent Search, and provides students from disadvantaged backgrounds additional aid in academic, career, and financial counseling. Each SECHS student will receive individualized attention in areas critical to college attendance and persistence.

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Alder Graduate School of Education: Memphis

Alder Graduate School of Education is a teacher residency program in which AmeriCorps members co-teach in K-8 classrooms in underserved public schools in Memphis. Adler Graduate School provides a rigorous and supportive teacher training program that recruits and trains individuals of all ages and backgrounds to become highly-effective teachers. Our mission is to create opportunity and cultivate success for every student by recruiting and educating excellent teachers and leaders who reflect our school communities.

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Bridge Builders Expansion – BRIDGES USA, Inc.: Memphis

BRIDGES' mission is to unite and inspire diverse youth to become confident and courageous leaders committed to community transformation. Bridge Builders Expansion addresses key needs facing Memphis area youth in grades 6-12 through experiential learning and the facilitation of our Bridge Builders curriculum that targets low academic performance and graduation rates, low rates of cultural competency, and low rates of opportunity for meaningful civic engagement.

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West Tennessee

City Year Memphis

City Year Memphis City Year works to bridge the gap in high-poverty communities between the support that students actually need and what their schools are designed and resourced to provide. In doing so, the program aims to increase graduation rates and change the lives of their students. City Year Memphis AmeriCorps members will be responsible for providing whole school services to approximately 1,500 students and individualized services to 420 students in five Memphis public schools.

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Generations – Porter-Leath: Memphis

Generations AmeriCorps members will increase school readiness by providing educational enrichment activities for Porter-Leath Early Childhood students in the agency's Head Start centers in Memphis and Shelby County. The AmeriCorps members will also leverage over 120 additional volunteers that will be engaged in literacy initiatives throughout the same centers.

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Memphis Teacher Residency

MTR recruits outstanding leaders as co-teachers for Memphis' most academically-challenged public schools. Their mission is to positively impact student achievement in Memphis urban schools by recruiting, training, and supporting outstanding teachers. All members are placed in Memphis' Title I schools that have greater than 50% enrollment rates in the Free or Reduced Price Lunch program.

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Teach For America-Memphis

Teach For America believes that all children deserve the opportunity to attain an excellent education. They recruit, train, and place outstanding teacher leaders into classrooms serving low-income children throughout Memphis and Shelby County.

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The mission of Volunteer Tennessee is to encourage volunteerism and community service.